## **OBITUARY**



Ruth Elizabeth Frost, a lifelong resident of Hackettstown, NJ died Thursday October 3, 2013 at the House of the Good Shepherd in Hackettstown. She was 89. Ruth was born on November 29th, 1923 in Hackettstown, and resided most of her life at 132 E. Prospect St, where her parents lived before her. She moved to the House of the Good Shepherd in 2007. She was the daughter of Frederick and Susie Frost. Her step- sister, Margaret Linaberry, died several years ago. Ruth was a proud graduate of the 1941 class of Hackettstown High School. She returned to the Hackettstown School District 2 years later to serve as the secretary to the Superintendent of Schools from 1943 until her retirement in 1985. An avid and interested member of the community Ruth worked with the committee to restore the Old Burial Ground on Main Street, and with the Hackettstown Historical Society. She was a member of the Hackettstown Senior Hall of Fame. A lifetime member of Trinity United Methodist

Church, she was the member of longest standing at her death. Baptized and confirmed at the church altar, she attended Sunday School, and then as an adult she served on many of the church committees and ministry teams over the years. For a time, she was the church secretary. She also served as the Sunday School secretary for 12 years, the secretary of the Administrative Board, and was co-chairman of the Centennial Committee in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the church sanctuary. In 1985 she received a special United Methodist Women's membership pin. Her passion was music, and Ruth joined the adult Chancel Choir when she was just 16. She sang with the choir for over 70 years, and was a frequent soloist. She also sang for friends at over 100 weddings! Ruth is survived by 2 nephews, Kenneth Linaberry of Hallowell Maine, and Joe Dietz of Pottstown Pennsylvania, and a niece, Margaret Shaner, also of Pottstown, Pennsylvania. She is also survived by her many friends, and her beloved Trinity Church family. A Victory Celebration in memory of Ruth will be held on Saturday, October 12th at 11:00 am in the sanctuary of Trinity Church, 213 Main St., Hackettstown. Following the interment of ashes in Union Cemetery there will be a fellowship luncheon in Starr Hall, including numerous picture collages of Ruth's life. Ruth's wishes were that in lieu of flowers donations be made to Trinity United Methodist Church. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Cochran Funeral Home, 905 High Street, Hackettstown, NJ 07840.

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